

THE LIGHTHOUSE, DARWEN

England & Wales · Charity number 1197732

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-01-31

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE:(1)TO PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF DARWEN AND THE SURROUNDING AREA OF BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE BY ASSOCIATING THE INHABITANTS AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE.(2)TO ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY CENTRE AND TO MAINTAIN AND MANAGE IT IN FURTHERANCE OF THESE OBJECTS.

Activities: To manage and operate Lower Chapels Darwen for the public good.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Blackburn With Darwen

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£5,820	£3,187	-	-
2024-03-31	£5,873	£3,056	-	-
2023-03-31	£6,403	£5,170	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Daniel Wilson	Chair	2022-06-30
Claire Burke		2022-06-30
Kathryn Hodkinson		2022-06-30
Margaret Huggill		2022-06-30
Megan Binns		2022-06-30
Peter Huggill		2022-06-30
Rachel Wilding		2022-06-30
Rebecca Huggill		2022-06-30

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Trustees report and Annual accounts 1April 2024 – 31st March 2025

Charity name and address – The Lighthouse Darwen, Lower Chapel, Chapels, BB3 0EE

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Trustees – Margaret Huggill, Peter Huggill, Rebecca Huggill, Rachel Wilding, Megan Binns, Kath Hodkinson, Danny Wilson, Claire Waring

Trustee report

The Trustees are pleased to report again that steady progress of the Lighthouse project has been maintained. The toll of the previous winter as been addressed and work in the graveyard by volunteers has been good. This spring as seen increased evidence of a range of small birds nesting and we hope that butterflies and moths will be more evident during the summer. Further work in the graveyard has been completed and the new houses in the immediate area are now well advanced. New industrial units on Chapels park will soon be taking shape as the infrastructure for these is now well advanced. Research into the early history of the chapel continues and there has a slow but steady flow of interest in the building.

The mention of the Reverend Henry Townsend who came to Darwen in 1796 to minister to a small congregation of ex members of Lower Chapel has seen the preparation of a new book to be published in late summer this year, along with a celebration heritage service at the Pole lane site which was attended by over 40 people. Our appreciation to Andrea Townsend, Rev Townend's 4 time great grand-daughter.

The community use is maintained, and the chapel remains an important contributor to the social wellbeing of the local community. Due to the road infrastructure changes for the new housing, the footpath access to Lower Chapel is improved and now has drop curb crossing which will assist the less mobile folks.

The Trustees are pleased to report a further small increase in their financial position despite the ever increasing costs.

Annual Accounts

This year the charity has continued to grow financially with an increase of £2,633.05

	In	Out
User 1	3,040.00	
User 2	840.00	
User 3	360.00	
User 4	1,580.00	
Energy Charges		2,923.97
Water charges		262.98
	5,820.00	3,186.95

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The trustees are pleased to report that steady progress of the Lighthouse project is maintained. The winter weather has taken a toll on the building which will need to be addressed over the summer. Further clearance in the graveyard has been completed and we note that the infrastructure for all the new houses in the area has been started. We believe that house building will commence in around 6 months' time. Research into the early history of the chapel continues and there has a slow but steady flow of interest in the building.

There has been an inquiry about the Reverend Henry Townsend who came to Darwen in 1796 to minister to a small congregation of ex members of lower chapel and this work is ongoing.

The community use is maintained, and the chapel is an important contributor to the social wellbeing of the local community. As the new houses are completed it is proposed that the use of the chapel will expand and the trustees seek to make this a centra of the new community at Holden Fold.

The trustees are pleased to report a small increase in their financial position despite the significant increase in gas and electric charges.

Annual Accounts

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	In	Out
User 1	2,750. 00	
User 2	1,440. 00	
User 3	360.00	
User 4	1,030. 00	
Energy refund	293.64	2818.
Energy Charges		50 237.8

Water
charges

3

5873.
64

3056.
33

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Trustees report Jan 22 – March 23

The Lighthouse Darwen has allocated Trustees as listed below

Rachel Wilding

Rebecca Huggill

Peter Huggill

Margaret Huggill

Megan Binns

Claire Burke

Kath Hodgkinson

Beverly Reece

Danny Wilson

The Lighthouse Darwen has held a handful of meeting throughout the year to discuss the objectives of the charity.

The charity is currently holding a positive balance financially.



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The Lighthouse Darwen

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from 31/01/2022 To 31/03/2023

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Section A Receipts and payments

Unrestricted funds to the nearest £

Restricted funds to the nearest £

Endowment funds to the nearest £

Total funds to the nearest £

Last year to the nearest £

A1 Receipts

User 1	2,880	-	-	-
User 2	1,680	-	-	-
User 3	420	-	-	-
User 4	1,400	-	-	-
Energy refund	23	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	6,403	-	-	-

A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).

	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	6,403	-	-	-

A3 Payments

Energy	1,055	-	-	-
Water	283	-	-	-
Donation	400	-	-	-
Insurance	3,433	-	-	-
Sub total	5,170	-	-	-

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	5,170	-	-	-

Net of receipts/(payments)

	1,233	-	-	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,233	-	-	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories

B1 Cash funds

Details

Total cash funds

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Unrestricted funds to nearest £

Restricted funds to nearest £

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Endowment funds to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

Details

B3 Investment assets

Details

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details

B5 Liabilities

Details

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Date of approval	Print Name	Signature
09/10/23	FRACHEL WILDING	Frachel Wilding
09/10/23	MARGARET HUGGILL	Margaret Huggill